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NIGP SEEKS NOMINATIONS FOR 2004 CHAPTER, BUYER AND MANAGER OF THE YEAR AWARDS

Submittal Deadline is May 1, 2004

Through its Chapter Awards program, the National Institute of Governmental Purchasing (NIGP) honors outstanding Chapters and individual Chapter leaders who have demonstrated superior accomplishments and commitment to the procurement profession through their exemplary volunteer and career related activities.

The NIGP Chapter Award program is divided into two categories:

- * NIGP chapters are encouraged to apply for awards based on Service to the Profession, Service to the Institute, Membership Recruitment, Chapter member services and overall operations.

- * Individual purchasing professionals at all levels of public procurement are encouraged to apply for the Professional Public Buyer or Professional Purchasing Manager of the Year Award based on significant contributions to the advancement of the purchasing profession and professional development as demonstrated by the criteria outlined in the award entry form.

Individuals are highly encouraged to submit their application to their respective Chapter and be selected to represent the Chapter in the national competition; however, applications can be sent directly to the national NIGP offices.

The Application and Award Criteria forms can be downloaded from the NIGP Website at <http://www.nigp.org/chapter/AwardPrgm.htm> or by contacting Cyndi Cooksey at ccooksey@nigp.org or (800) FOR-NIGP x232. Award nominations will be accepted via e-mail or by mail on CD or floppy disc at NIGP's National Offices at 151 Spring Street, Herndon, Virginia, 20170 until May 1, 2004.

The 2004 Chapter, Buyer and Manager of the Year Award winners will be recognized by their peers in the procurement community during the 59th Annual NIGP Forum and Products Exposition in Biloxi, Mississippi, on August 7-11, 2004. The names of the award recipients will be officially announced during the Annual NIGP Forum Awards ceremony.